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TAGS: PEPR, PDIP, MY, UR, ASEAN

SUBJ: PHAM VAN DONG VISIT TO MALAYSIA

**REF: KUALA LUMPUR 9375** 

1. WELL-PLACED MFA OFFICIAL HAS CONFIRMED TO US THAT PHAM VAN DONG VISIT TO MALAYSIA WILL TAKE PLACE EARLY TO MID-OCTOBER. OFFICIAL SIAD THAT WHILE SOME BILATERAL AGREEMENTS OF A TECHNICAL NATURE (E.G)., CIVIL AVIATION) WILL PROBALY BE SIGNED DURING THE VISIT, IT IS UNLIKELY THE GOM WOULD BE WILLING TO SIGN A BROAD "PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP" AGREEMENT SUCH AS WHAT HE UNDERSTANDS THE VIETNAMESE ARE NOW URGING ON THAILAND. NOR DID HE THINK ANYTHING SPECIFIC ON A "ZONE OF PEACE" WOULD BE FORMALLY AGREED, SINCE IF NOTHING ELSE MALAYSIA WOULD HAVE TO CONSULT CLOSELY WITH ITS ASEAN PARTNERS FIRST. HE DID EXPECT BROAD GENERAL DISCUSSION BETWEEN DONG AND GOM LEADERS ON THE ZONE OF PEACE IDEA. HE STATED THAT CONFIDENTIAL.

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DIPLOMATIC-LEVEL DISCUSSIONS ON THE SUBJECT BETWEEN THE NEW MALAYSIAN AMBASSADOR IN HANOI AND THE SRV, AS AGREED DURING PHAN HIEN'S RECENT VISIT TO KUALA LUMPUR, HAD NOT YET BEGUN.

2. REGARDING THE REPORTED SOVIET APPROACH TO ASEAN ON NEUTRALIZATION NOTED REFTEL, MFA OFFICIAL SAID

THAT TO HIS KNOWLEDGE THERE HAD BEENNO SPECIFIC APPROACH SO FAR. HE SAID THE SOVIETS HERE OFTEN ASK FOR GOM VIEWS ON SRV STATEMENTS AND APPROACHES ON THE SUBJECT AND INDICATE THEIR SUPPORT FOR HANOI'S POSITION, BUT THAT THEY HAD NOT REQUESTED DIRECT DISCUSSIONS THEMSELVES ON IT.

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